



Categorical Exclusion Form

Project: Minor update to the Congaree National Park Wild Pig Management Plan
PEPC Project Number: 68435

Description of Action (Project Description):

Clarifying language was added to the Wild Pig Management Plan and accompanying Minimum Requirements Analysis. Page 41 of the Environmental Assessment was clarified to state that tree removal and vegetation clearing would be limited to six feet in width and eight feet in height. Furthermore, the Minimum Requirements Analysis was clarified to reflect this change. In the Approval of Prohibited Uses section, the temporary roads section was edited to reflect the following: "All ORVs will be operated on existing logging roads. Tree removal and vegetation clearing may be conducted by hog management personnel to make roads passable (to a width of 6 ft and height of 8 ft) but no other work will be done to maintain the existing roads. No new roads will be created unless approved by the park management team.

Project Locations:

Location

County: Richland **State:** SC

Mitigation(s):

- No mitigations identified.

CE Citation: B.1 Changes or amendments to an approved plan, when such changes would cause no or only minimal environmental impact.

CE Justification:

Clarifications to language in the plan were needed to the Congaree National Park Wild Pig Management Plan

Decision: I find that the action fits within the categorical exclusion above. Therefore, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No extraordinary circumstances apply.

Signature

Superintendent:


Tracy Stakely

Date: 11-16-16